

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** the future success of our young people depends on the availability of quality, accessible educational opportunities; and

**WHEREAS,** many students are able to attend college and achieve their educational, personal, and professional goals through student aid programs, which provide millions of dollars in grants, scholarships, and student loans; and

**WHEREAS,** financial aid programs provide valuable funds for post-secondary education, including tuition and fees, housing and food, books and supplies, and transportation and personal expenses, without which many students could not continue their education; and

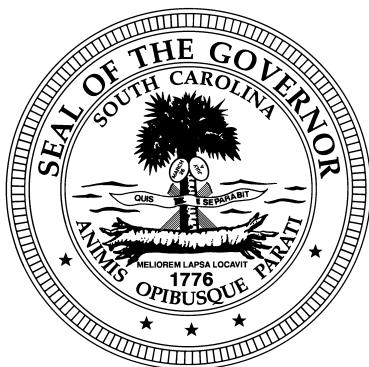
**WHEREAS,** student financial aid administrators throughout South Carolina work daily to help students identify the resources and options they have to meet the costs of their education and to remove barriers to obtaining a college degree by ensuring greater access to information about student assistance programs; and

**WHEREAS,** the annual observance of Financial Aid Awareness Month raises public awareness of financial aid available to help students and families finance higher education.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 2005 as

### FINANCIAL AID AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about financial assistance programs and to recognize with appreciation the important



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**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**